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THE HEDGEHOG

DURING A BATTLE BETWEEN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG AND THE EVIL DR. EGGMAN ON THEIR HOME WORLD, AN EXPLOSION TRANSPORTED SONIC, HIS FRIENDS, AND DR. EGGMAN, ACROSS DIMENSIONS UNTIL THEY FOUND THEMSELVES IN STATION SQUARE ON PLANET EARTH.

STATION SQUARE IS A BUSY CITY WITH THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE WORKING IN OFFICES, STORES, SCHOOLS, AND RESTAURANTS EVERY DAY.

AND THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO WORK UNDERGROUND, LIKE THE SEWER WORKERS WHO HELP MAKE SURE THAT LIFE GOES ON AS IT SHOULD ABOVE.



HEY, LARRY—
YOU SEE THAT?
WHAT IS IT?

DUNNO,
LOU. AIN'T
NEVER
SEEN IT
BEFORE.



YOU THINK WE
SHOULD CHECK
IT OUT?

NO WAY.




IT'S A
DOOR.

YOU DON'T
LISTEN TOO
GOOD, DO
YA, KID?




THIS ROOM
ISN'T ON ANY
OF THE MAPS
I'VE SEEN.
WHAT DO YOU
THINK IS IN
THERE?




WOW! WHAT
DO YOU THINK
ALL THAT
STUFF IS?

DON'T LOOK AT
ME. MY PH.D. IS
IN MEDIEVAL
ENGLISH
LITERATURE,
NOT ALIEN
TECHNOLOGY.




I DON'T
THINK ANYONE'S
BEEN IN HERE
IN YEARS.

SOMETHIN'
TURNED THE
POWER ON...



EEEE!
WHAT WAS
THAT?

I DUNNO AND
DON'T WANNA
FIND OUT!



KID, I SAY
WE GET THE
HECK OUTTA
HERE AND
CALL IN THE
EXPERTS.

'KAY.

...
SYSTEM
RESTORE
...
INITIATE
SCAN
...

...
BAD BLOCKS IN
SECTOR 156489
...
RAM MODULES
DEFECTIVE
...
NO DATA AVAILABLE
...

rustle rustle

TAKE THIS JOB AND SHOVEL IT!

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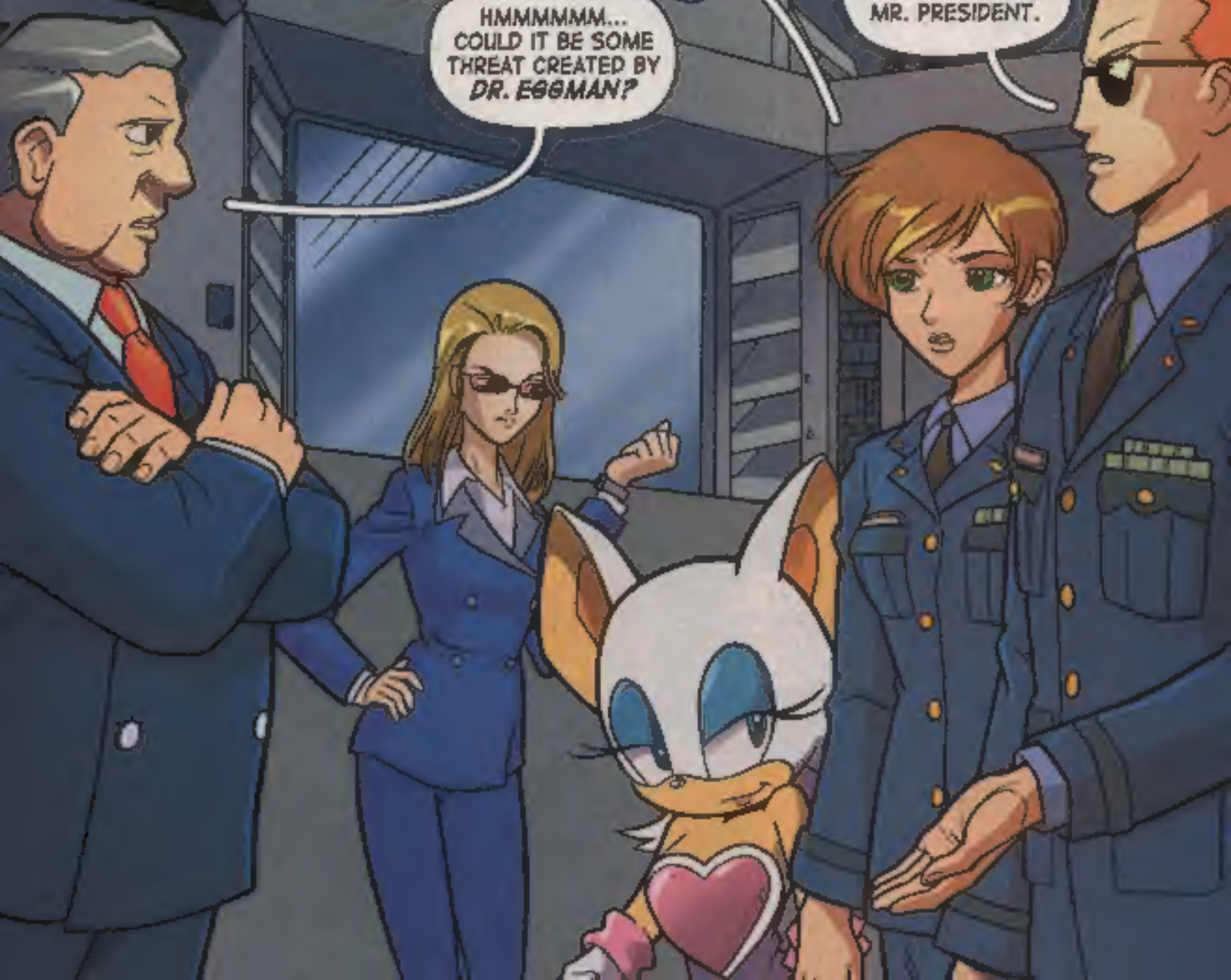
WITHIN HOURS, NEWS OF THE DISCOVERY IN THE STATION SQUARE SEWERS IS REPORTED TO THE *GUARDIAN UNITS* OF THE NATIONS COMMAND CENTER...

...AND THE *PRESIDENT* IS CALLED IN FOR A BRIEFING.

INITIAL REPORTS INDICATE THAT THE TECHNOLOGY IS NOT LIKE ANYTHING ELSE ON EARTH.

HMMMMMM... COULD IT BE SOME THREAT CREATED BY *DR. EGGMAN*?

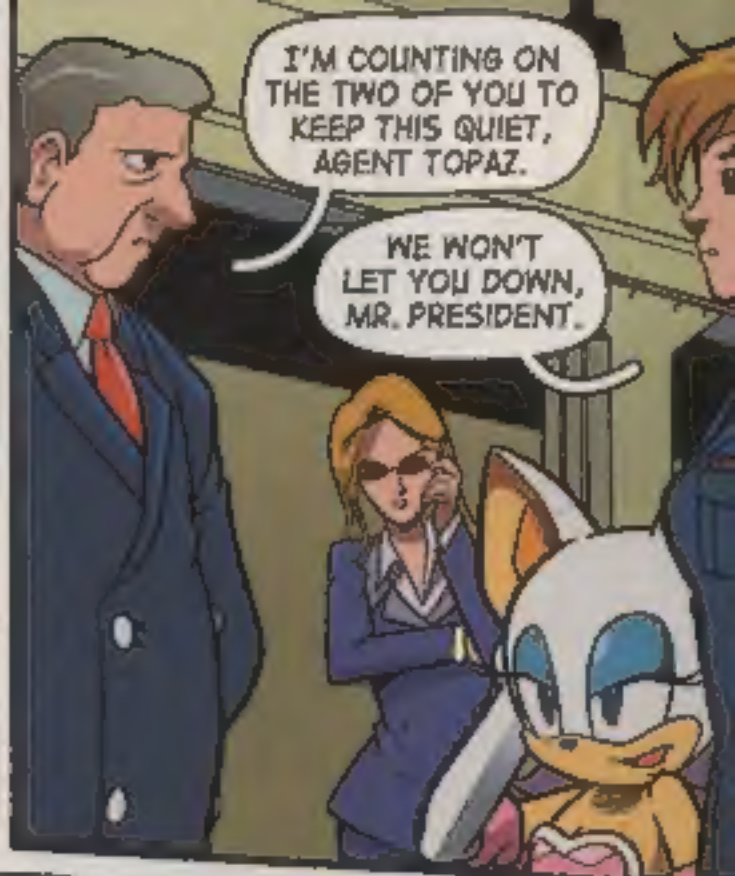
UNTIL WE GET A TEAM IN THERE FOR A DETAILED ANALYSIS, WE CAN'T BE SURE, MR. PRESIDENT.





OBVIOUSLY THIS MUST BE INVESTIGATED, BUT IT HAS TO BE DONE *WITHOUT* CAUSING A PANIC.

I'M GOING TO ASSIGN THIS MISSION TO AGENTS TOPAZ AND ROUGE.



I'M COUNTING ON THE TWO OF YOU TO KEEP THIS QUIET, AGENT TOPAZ.

WE WON'T LET YOU DOWN, MR. PRESIDENT.



BUT...!

MR. PRESIDENT, YOU ARE LATE FOR YOUR CABINET MEETING. WE REALLY HAVE TO GO NOW.

LET THEM KNOW WE'RE ON OUR WAY.



CAPTAIN WESTWOOD, I'LL EXPECT A FULL REPORT ON MY DESK BY THE END OF THE DAY.



YES, SIR!



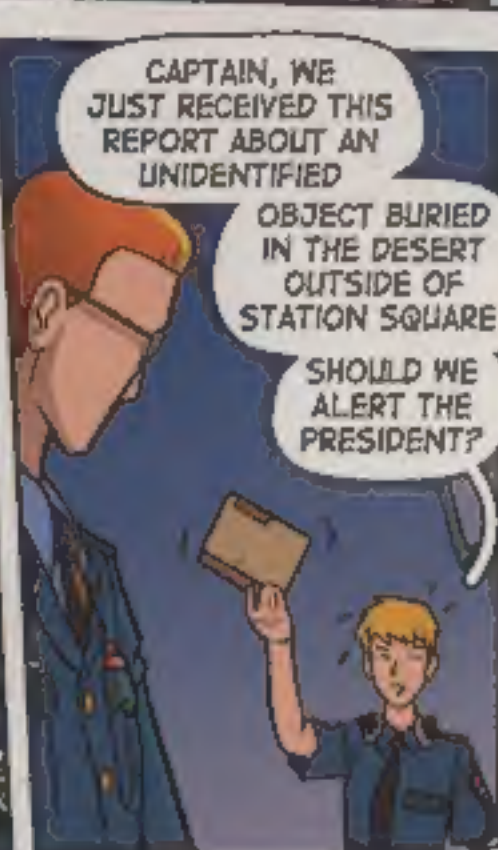
MEET ME IN FIVE MINUTES AT THE HELIPORT. I HAVE TO PUT TOGETHER A MISSION KIT.

I'M ALWAYS READY TO GO.



THAT ASSIGNMENT SHOULD HAVE BEEN MINE!

I'M THE CAPTAIN OF THIS UNIT, AGENT TOPAZ WORKS FOR ME!



LATER THAT MORNING, AT THE SPRAWLING MANSION THAT IS HOME TO YOUNG CHRISTOPHER THORNDYKE...

THIS WILL BE YOUR BEST BIRTHDAY PARTY EVER, MASTER CHRIS. JUST YOU WAIT AND SEE.

RING! RING! RING!

HELLO?

I'M GOING TO BAKE YOU THE **BIGGEST BIRTHDAY CAKE** YOU'VE EVER SEEN!

THANK YOU, ELLA!

I SEE.

I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE MY MOM AND DAD AT THE PARTY TONIGHT.

I'M SORRY, CHRIS. THAT WAS YOUR MOTHER. SHE AND YOUR FATHER ARE STILL IN *PARIS* GETTING READY FOR THE *WORLD'S FAIR*.

THEY WON'T BE ABLE TO COME BACK FOR YOUR PARTY.

I'M LUCKY TO HAVE FRIENDS LIKE YOU.

DING! DONG!



A THOUSAND
PARDONS,
MASTER CHRIS,
BUT THERE IS
SOMEONE HERE
TO SEE MASTER
SONIC.

ME?



CAPTAIN
WESTWOOD
OF THE GUARDIAN
UNITS OF THE
NATIONS.

SONIC, WE THINK WE HAVE
LOCATED A **DOOMSDAY DEVICE**
BURIED IN THE DESERT AND WE
NEED YOUR HELP RIGHT AWAY.



I'M SORRY,
CAPTAIN, BUT I
HAVE SOMETHING
MORE IMPORTANT
TO DO TODAY.

IT'S POSSIBLE
THAT IT'S
PART OF
DR. EGGMAN'S
LATEST
SCHEME TO
CONQUER THE
PLANET.



SONIC, THE
PRESIDENT
HIMSELF
ASKED ME TO
ENLIST YOUR
AID.



SONIC, YOU
HAVE TO GO
IF THE
PRESIDENT
ASKS.



WHAT
ABOUT
YOUR
PARTY,
BUDDY?

THERE WILL
BE **OTHER**
PARTIES.

YOU'VE
GOTTA GO
WITH THE
CAPTAIN.

ELSEWHERE IN
STATION SQUARE...

HI, WE'RE FROM THE
GOVERNMENT. WE'RE
HERE TO HELP.

YEAH. THOSE
COVERALLS *DON'T*
FLATTER YOUR
FIGURE AT ALL.

HAS ANYONE
ELSE BEEN DOWN
THERE SINCE YOU
FOUND THE
CHAMBER?

NO ONE'S GONE
IN OR COME OUT
SINCE WE MADE
THE CALL.

RADIO US IF
THERE'S ANY
SIGN OF
EGGMAN.

AND HAVE
BARRELS OF
CHANEL
PERFUMES
NUMBERS
FIVE, SIX,
AND SEVEN
WAITING FOR
US WHEN WE
RETURN.

THERE ARE
MORE
FEMININE
PLACES WE
GIRLS COULD
HANG OUT.

THIS
MUST
BE THE
PLACE.

...
SYSTEMS
ONLINE
...
NEW INPUT
...
CALCULATING
DANGER
PROBABILITIES
...

DOES ANY OF
THIS LOOK LIKE
ANYTHING
YOU'VE SEEN
EGGMAN USE?

IT'S KIND OF LIKE THE EQUIPMENT EGGMAN WOULD BUILD, BUT THERE'S SOMETHING ODD ABOUT IT...

...LIKE THE TECHNOLOGY IS DECADES OLDER THAN WHAT HE WOULD USUALLY EMPLOY.

THIS LOOKS LIKE A COMPUTER. LET'S SEE WHAT WE CAN FIND OUT.

... MAYBE THEY CAN ACCESS THE MAINFRAME ...

click click click click click click

I CAN'T GET PAST THE PASSWORD.

ACCESS DENIED

click click click click click click click click click click click click click click

SOMEONE HAS BEEN IN HERE RECENTLY, AND HE HAS SMALLER FEET THAN YOU.

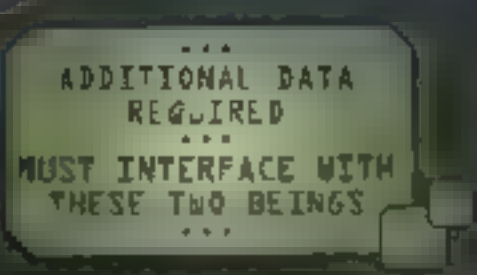
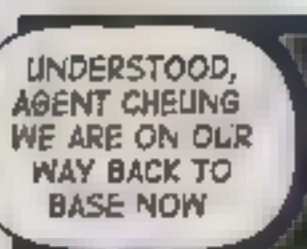
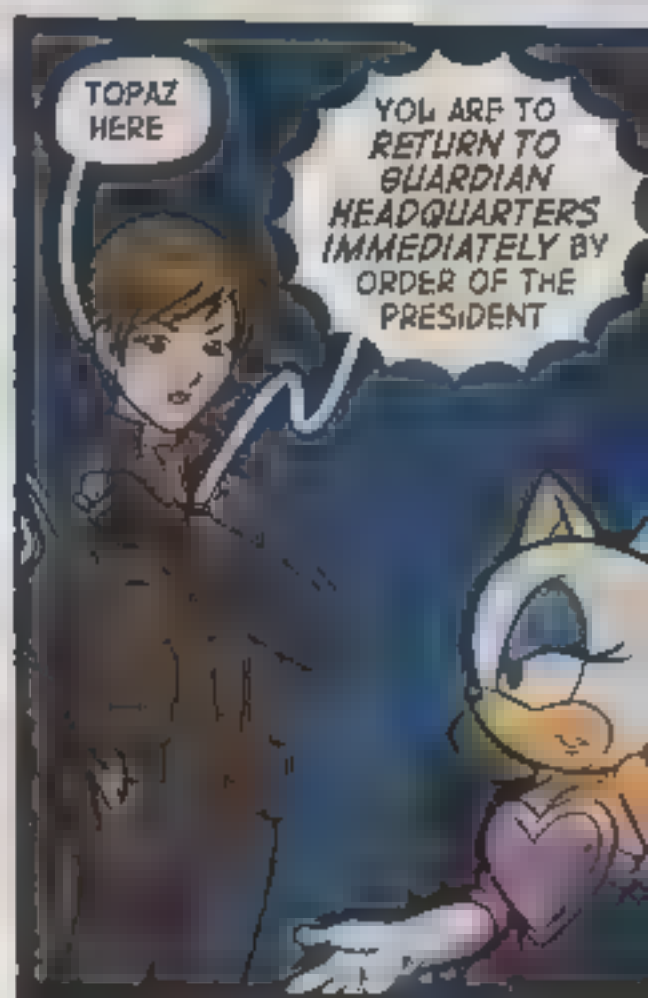
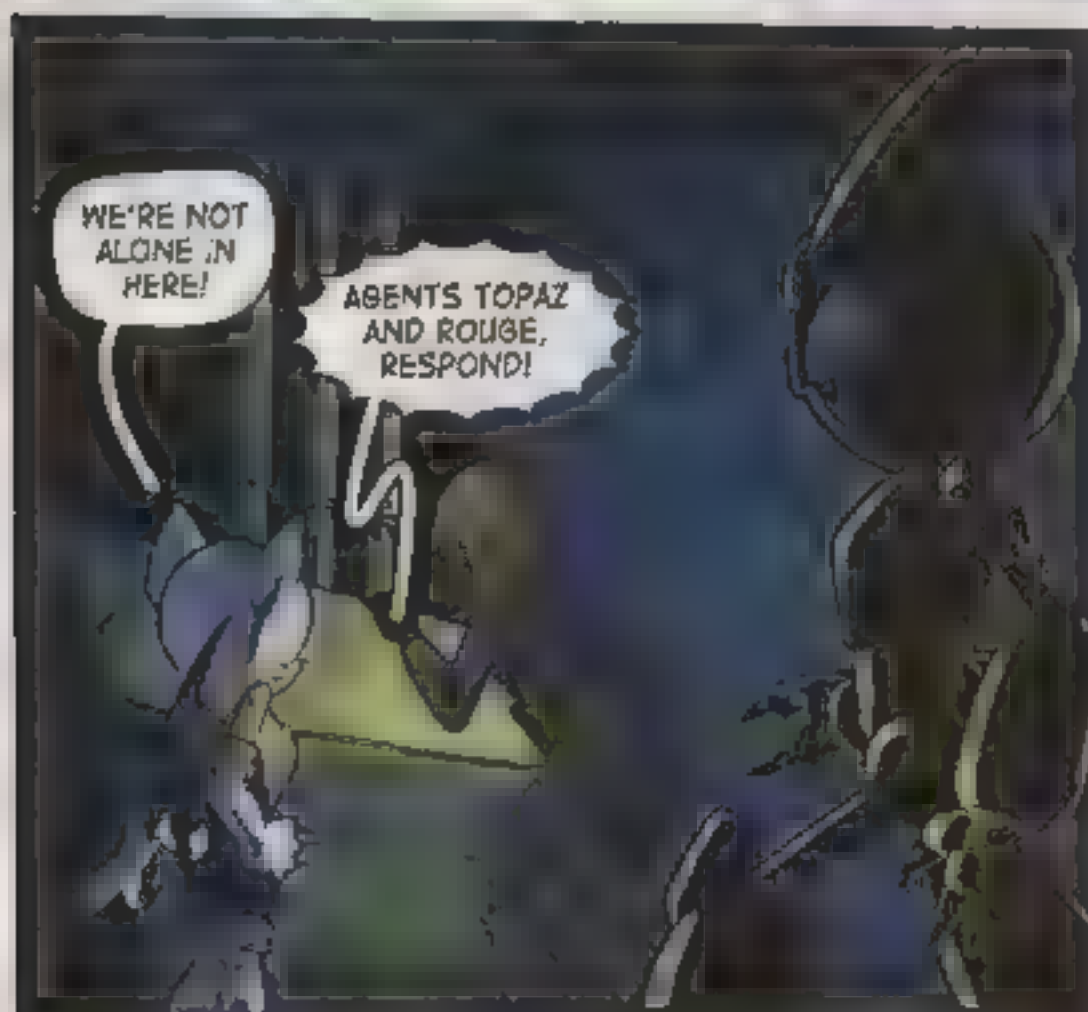
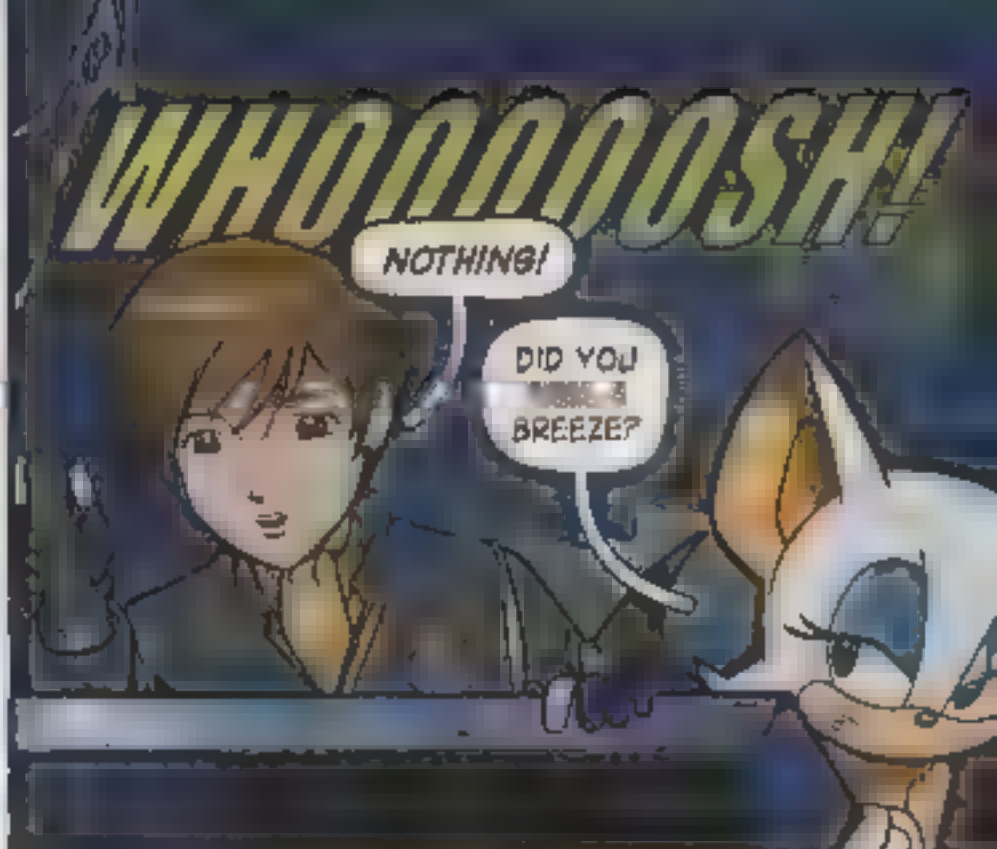
(WHICH ISN'T SAYING MUCH. MOST PEOPLE DO.)

HEY!

THESE ARE DEFINITELY FRESH PRINTS. THEY STARTED FROM INSIDE THIS POD...

...AND THEY LEAD OVER THERE.

... CAN'T LET THEM FIND ME UNTIL I KNOW MORE ...



MEANWHILE, CAPTAIN WESTWOOD AND SONIC ARRIVE AT THE COORDINATES OF THE UNIDENTIFIED BURIED OBJECT

WE PLACE THE ARTIFACT AT ABOUT **ONE HUNDRED FEET BELOW GROUND LEVEL.**

THANK YOU, AGENT DEVINE. YOU AND YOUR TEAM CAN LEAVE SONIC AND I WILL TAKE IT FROM HERE

HERE, YOU'LL NEED **THIS.**

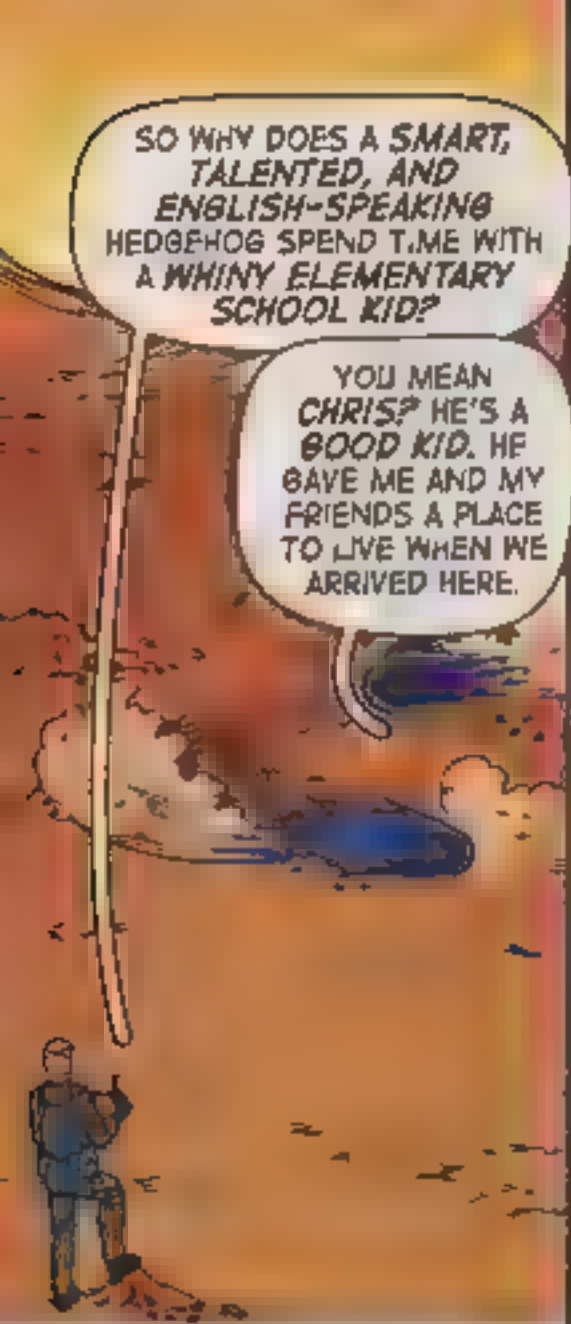
WHY DID YOU SEND THE OTHERS AWAY? THEY COULD HAVE HELPED

THE PRESIDENT ORDERED US TO CARRY OUT THE EXCAVATION IN **SECRET.**

BESIDES, WITH YOUR **STRENGTH AND SPEED,** THIS SHOULD TAKE YOU **NO TIME AT ALL,** RIGHT?

OR WERE THE PRESIDENT AND I **WRONG** ABOUT YOU?

NO PROBLEM. THIS WILL BE A PIECE OF CAKE



SO WHY DOES A SMART, TALENTED, AND ENGLISH-SPEAKING HEDGEHOG SPEND TIME WITH A WHINY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL KID?

YOU MEAN CHRIS? HE'S A GOOD KID. HE GAVE ME AND MY FRIENDS A PLACE TO LIVE WHEN WE ARRIVED HERE.

HE GETS YOU INTO A LOT OF SCRAPES.

HE'S YOUNG. HE MAKES MISTAKES, BUT IN THE END, HE ALWAYS COMES THROUGH.

BESIDES, I LIKE SCRAPES THEY'RE FUN

YOUR COUNTRY NEEDS YOU YOU SHOULD COME WORK FOR ME...

I MEAN US—THE PRESIDENT AND ME

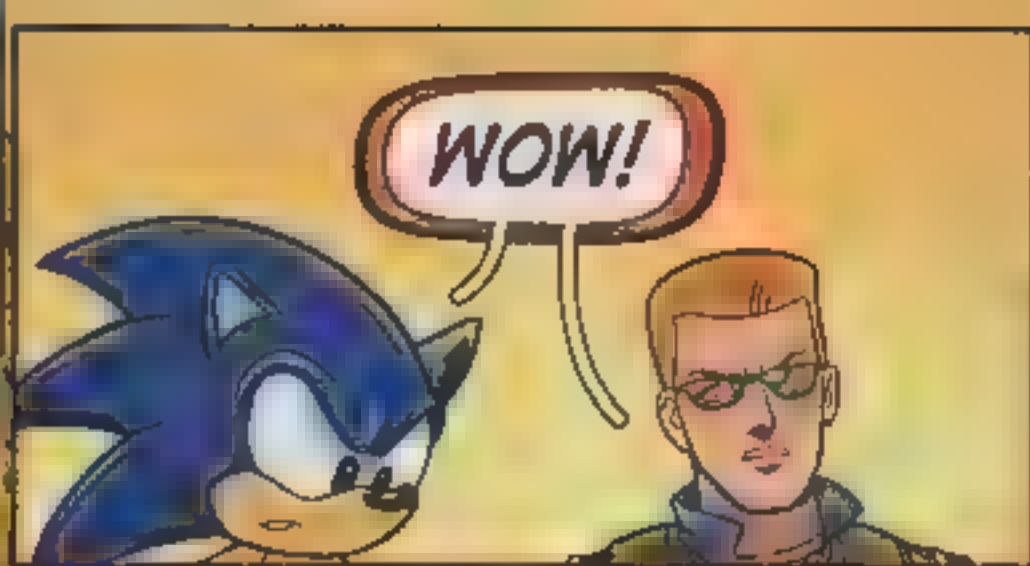
THIS *ISN'T* MY COUNTRY. MY COUNTRY IS ON ANOTHER WORLD.

BUT I DON'T MIND HELPING YOU OUT ONCE IN A WHILE

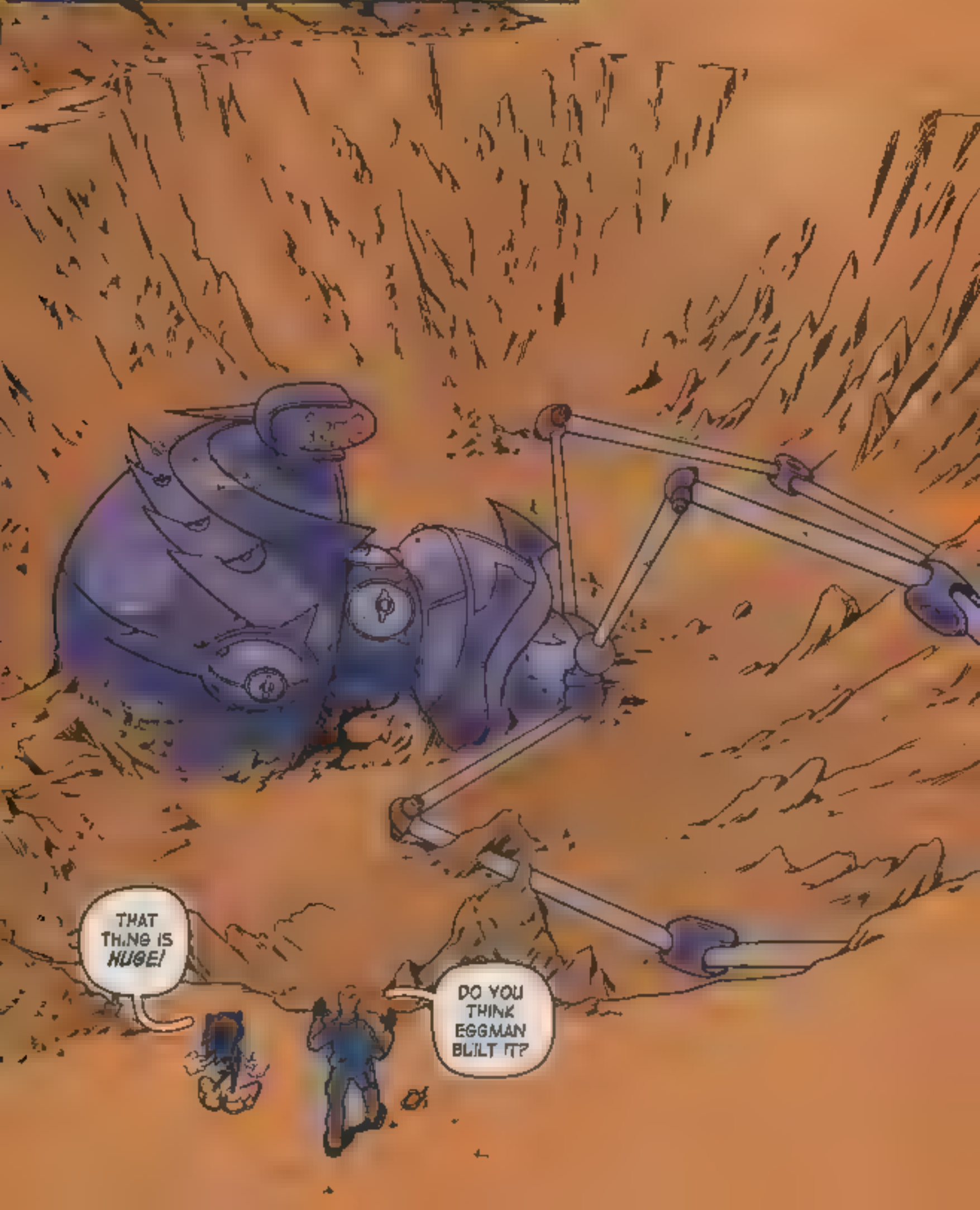
IN THE MEANTIME, I'M *NOT* GOING TO ABANDON CHRIS WITH HIS PARENTS ALWAYS AWAY WORKING

UMMMMMMM, SONIC—

—I THINK YOU CAN STOP DIGGING...



WOW!



THAT
THING IS
HUGE!

DO YOU
THINK
EGGMAN
BUILT IT?

BACK IN STATION SQUARE, TOPAZ
AND ROUGE PREPARE TO HEAD BACK
TO GLARDIAN HEADQUARTERS

YOU HAVE TO
MAKE SURE NO
ONE GETS IN
OR OUT OF
THAT ROOM.

WEE,
MADAM-WA-SELL
ZE SEWAIR WE'LL
BE PROTECTED AT
ALL TIMEZ.

THAT'S AN
INTERESTING
ACCENT,
OFFICER ALBRIGHT.
ARE YOU FROM
AROUND HERE?

MAY, WEE
I WASS BORN
ANT RAIZED
RIGHT 'ERE IN
STACION
SQUARE

...
THOSE TWO WOMEN
ARE THE MOST
INTELLIGENT
BEINGS I'VE
ENCOUNTERED
SINCE I CAME
ON LINE
...

I AM BUT PREPARING
FOR MY DAYBOO AS
NAZEN DUHTROIT IN
"BUYZ ANT DOLLZ"
TONIGHT.

REMAND ME
NEVER TO
ATTEND THE
THEATER IN
THIS TOWN

HEY! DID
YOU FEEL
THAT BREEZE
AGAIN?

...
CAN'T LET
THEM OUT OF
MY SIGHT
UNTIL MEMORY
MODULES ARE
COMPLETELY
RESTORED
...

PREPARE
FOR LIFT OFF
NEXT STOP,
GUARDIANS H.Q.

MEANWHILE, BACK
IN THE DESERT

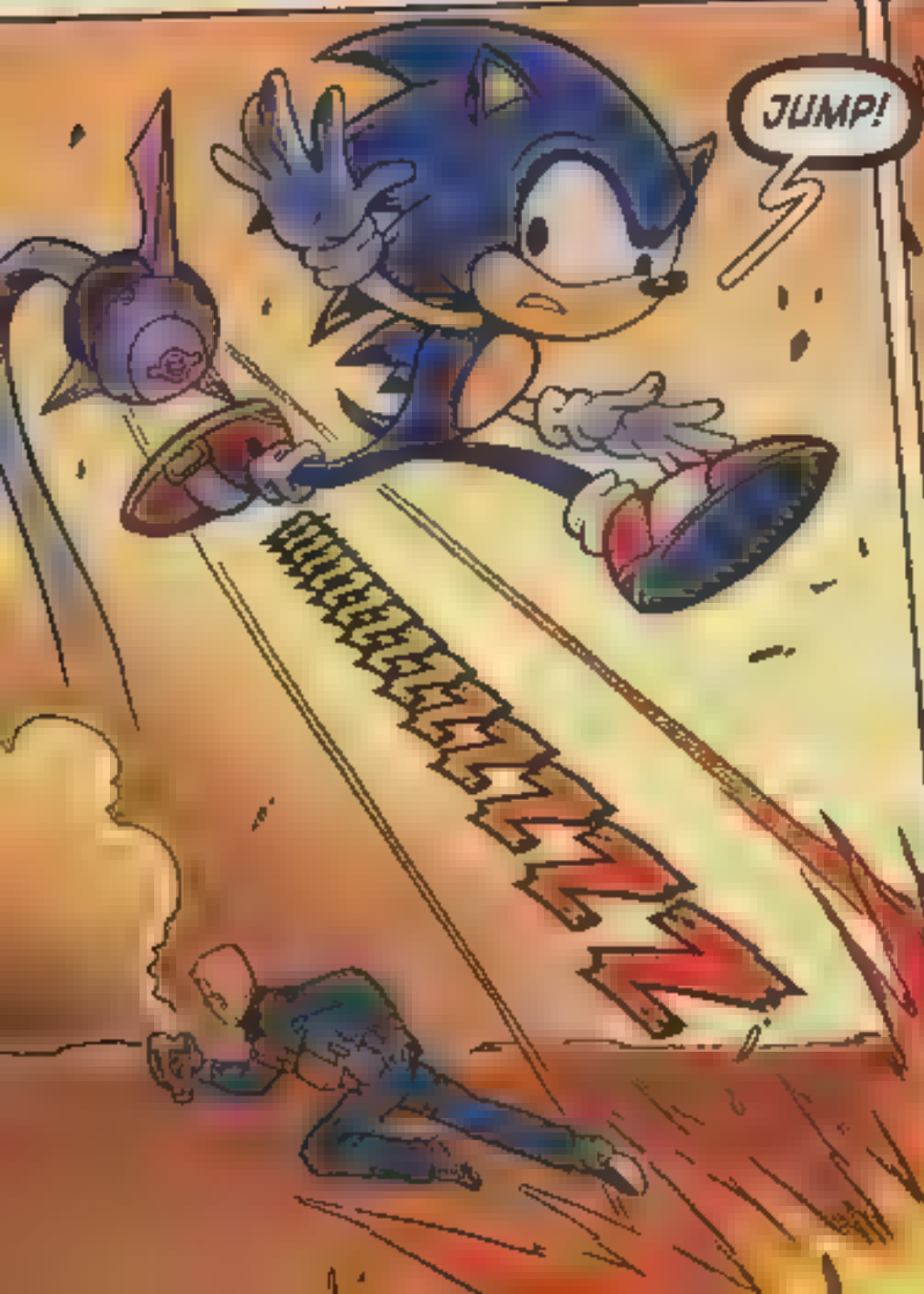
THAT DOESN'T
LOOK LIKE
ANYTHING
EGGMAN EVER
CAME UP WITH.

THAT MEANS
IT COULD BE
ALIEN IN
ORIGIN!

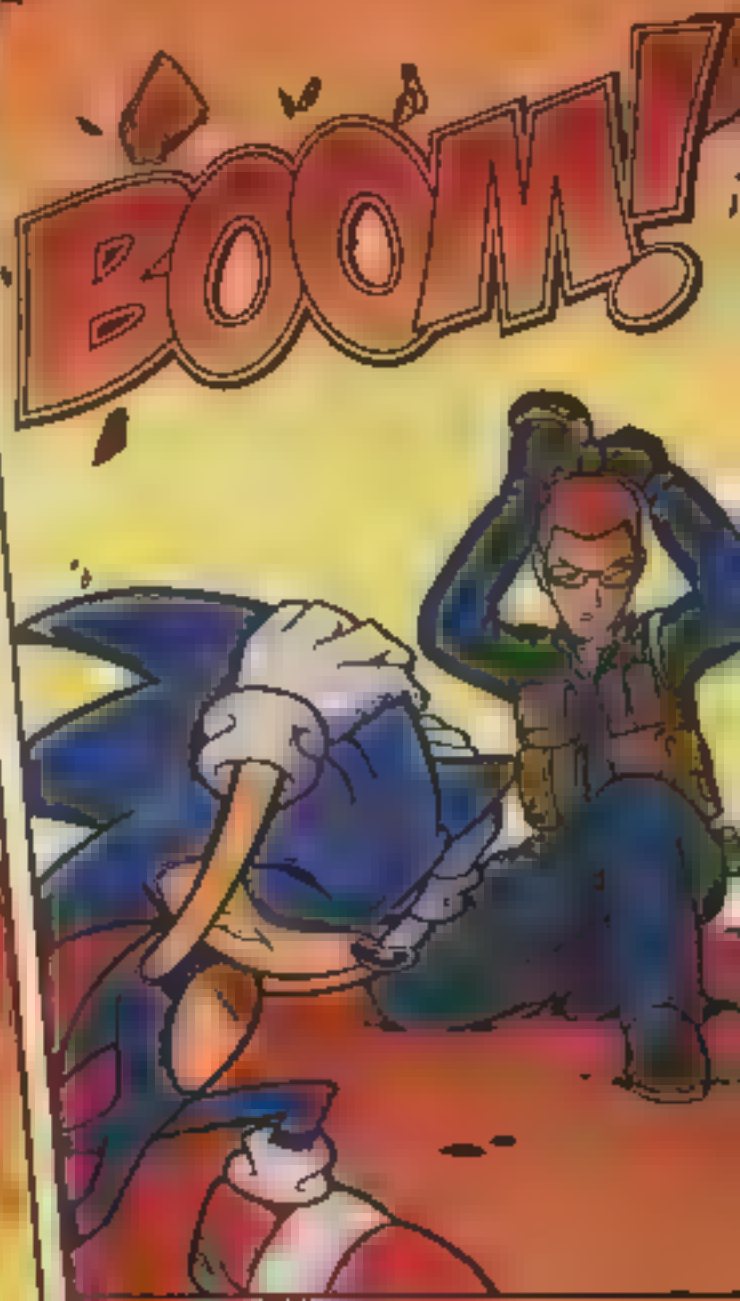
WHAT
WE'VE FOUND
COULD PUT
ME ON THE
MAP!



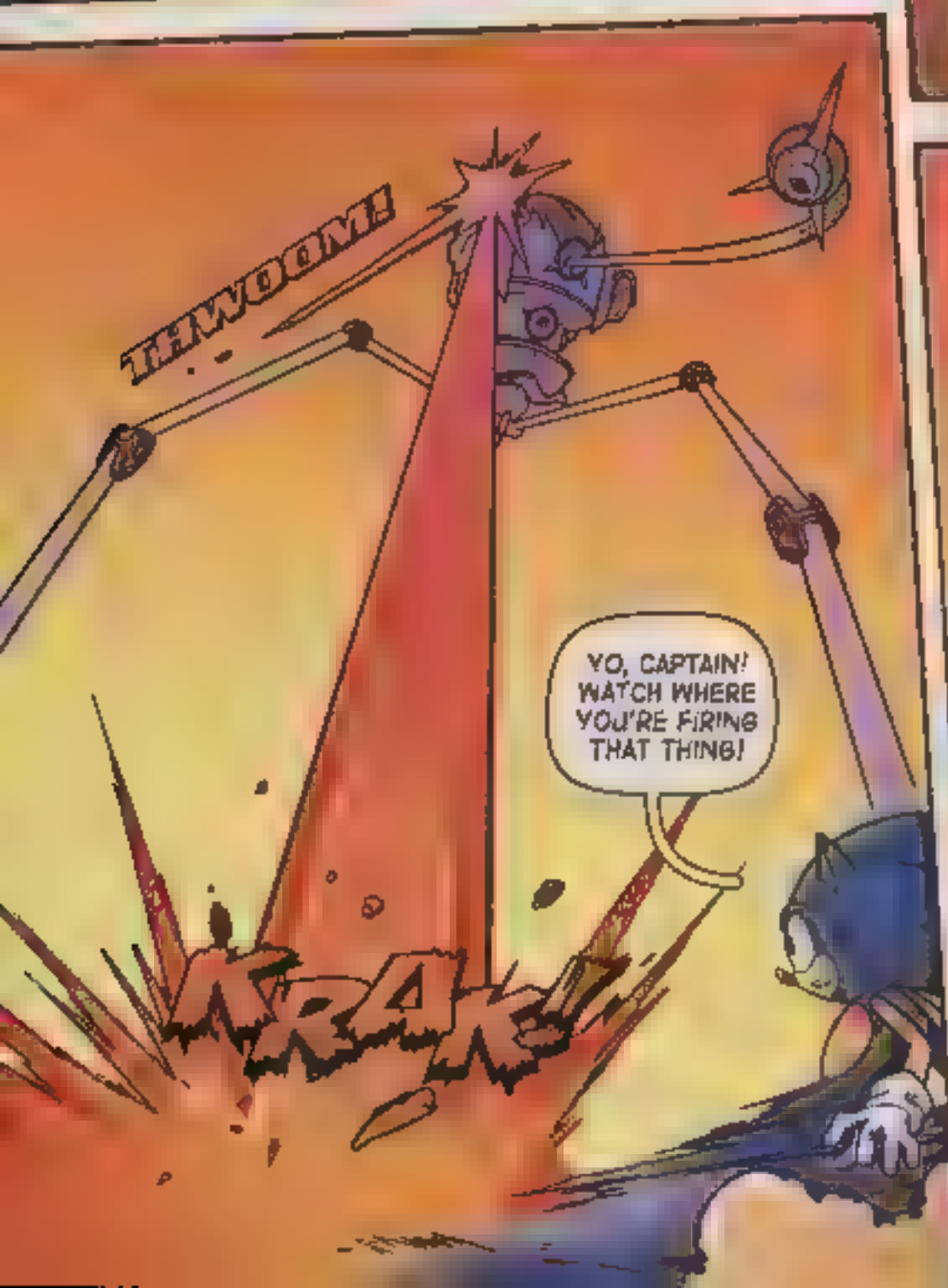
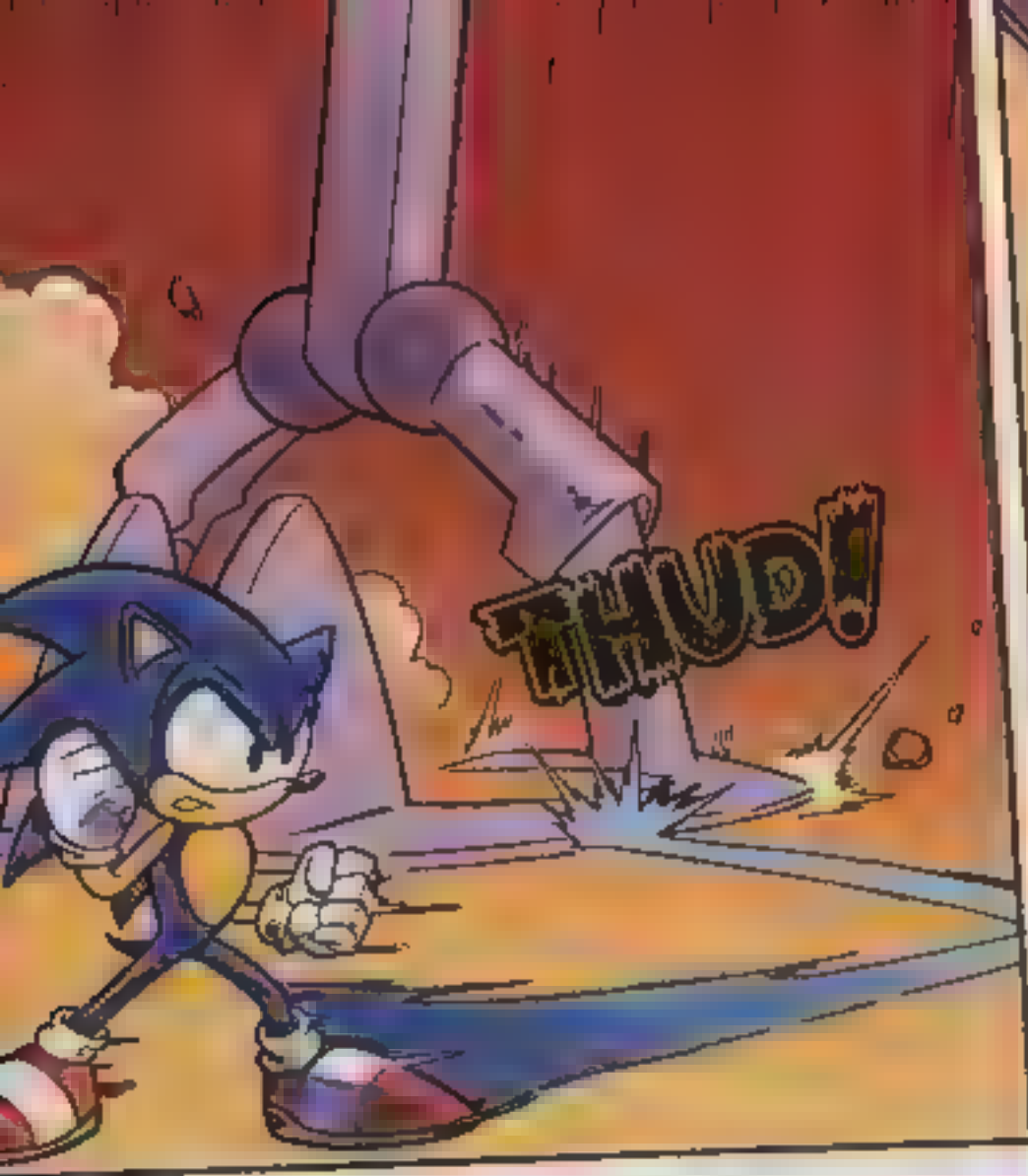
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THINK IT
WANTED TO
BE FOUND!

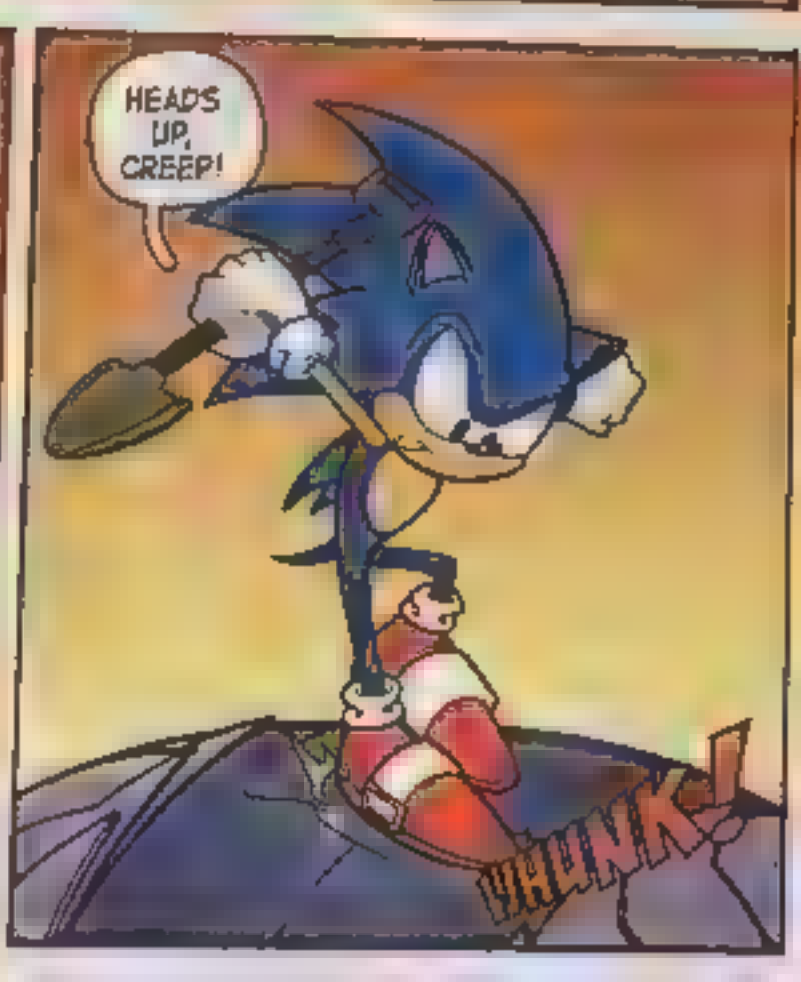
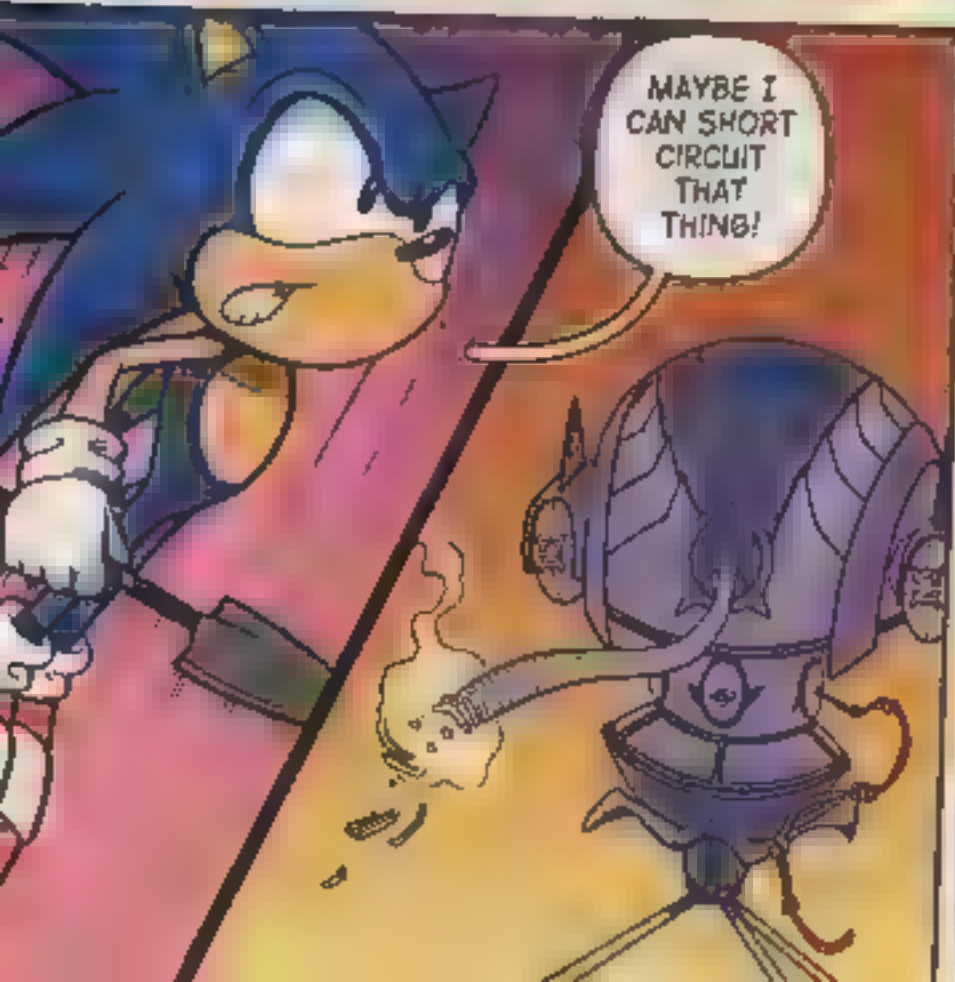
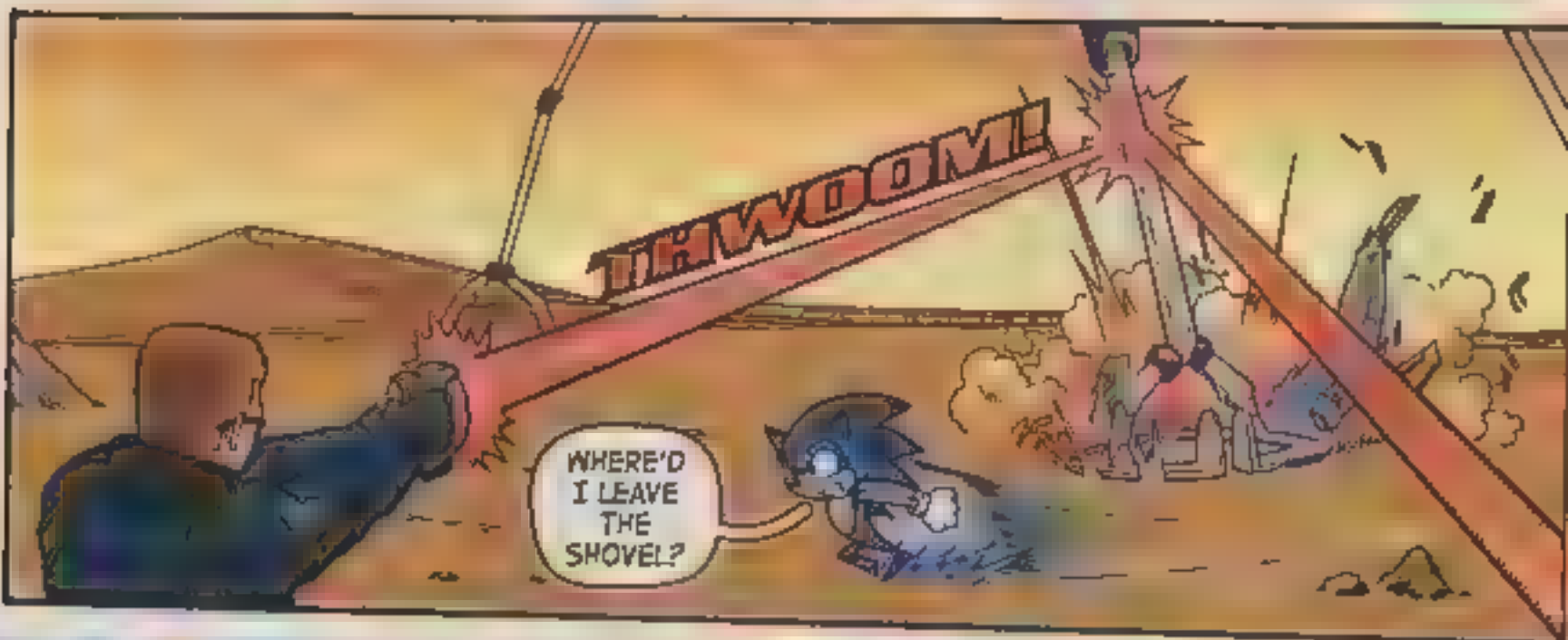
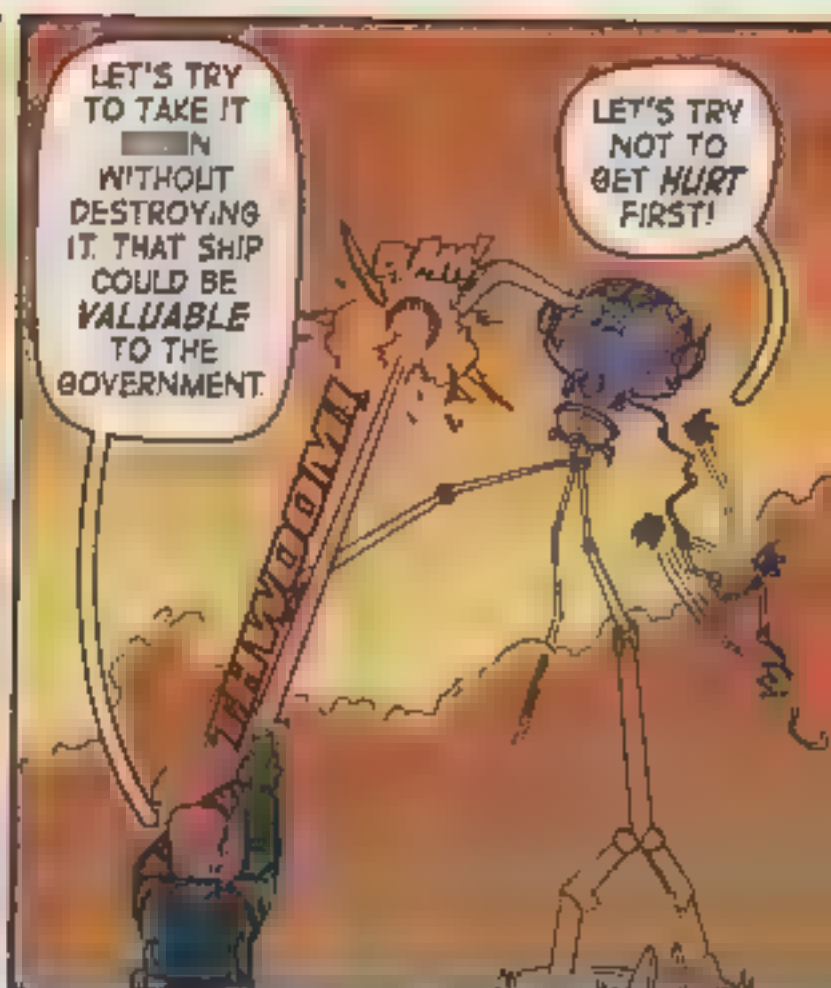
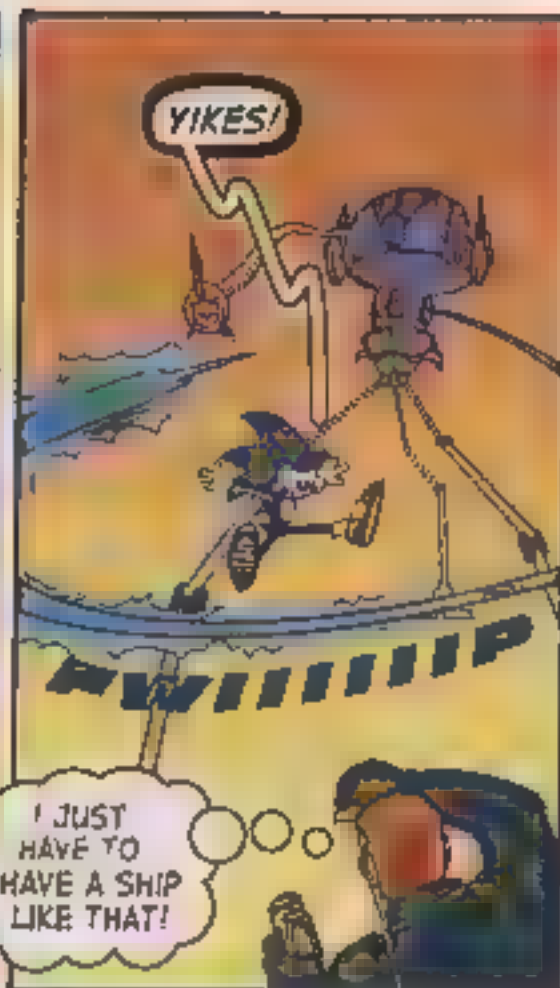


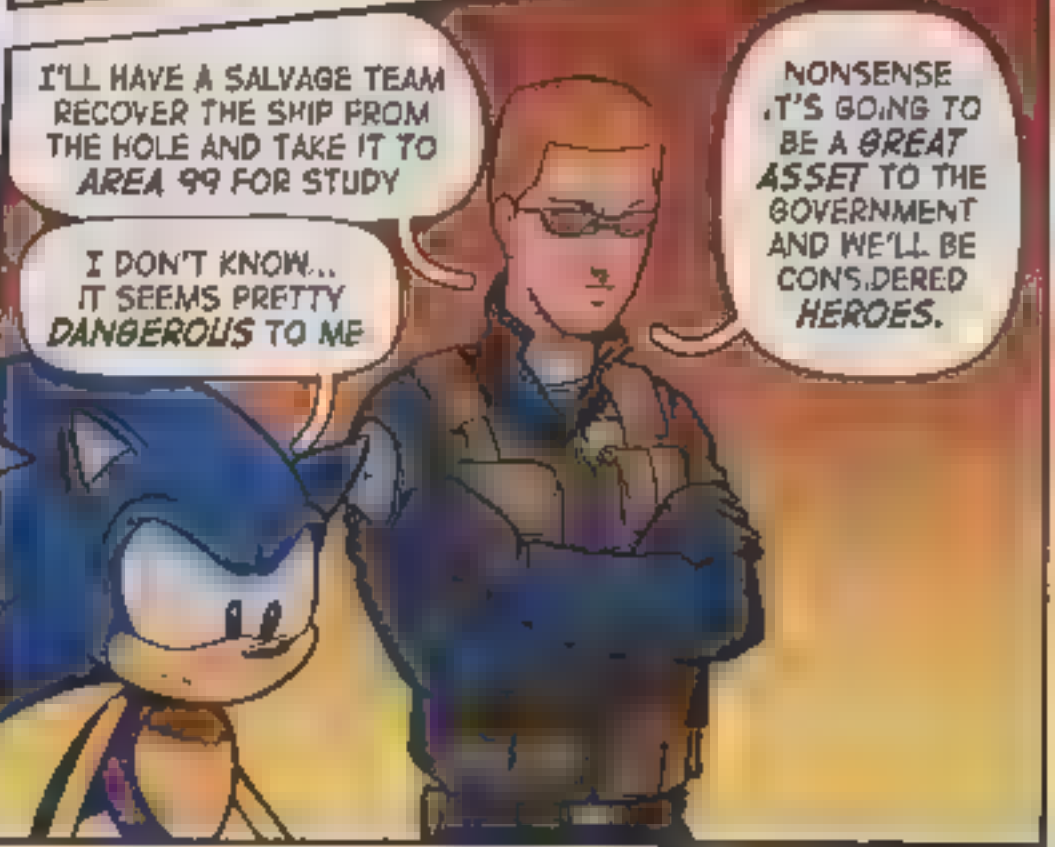
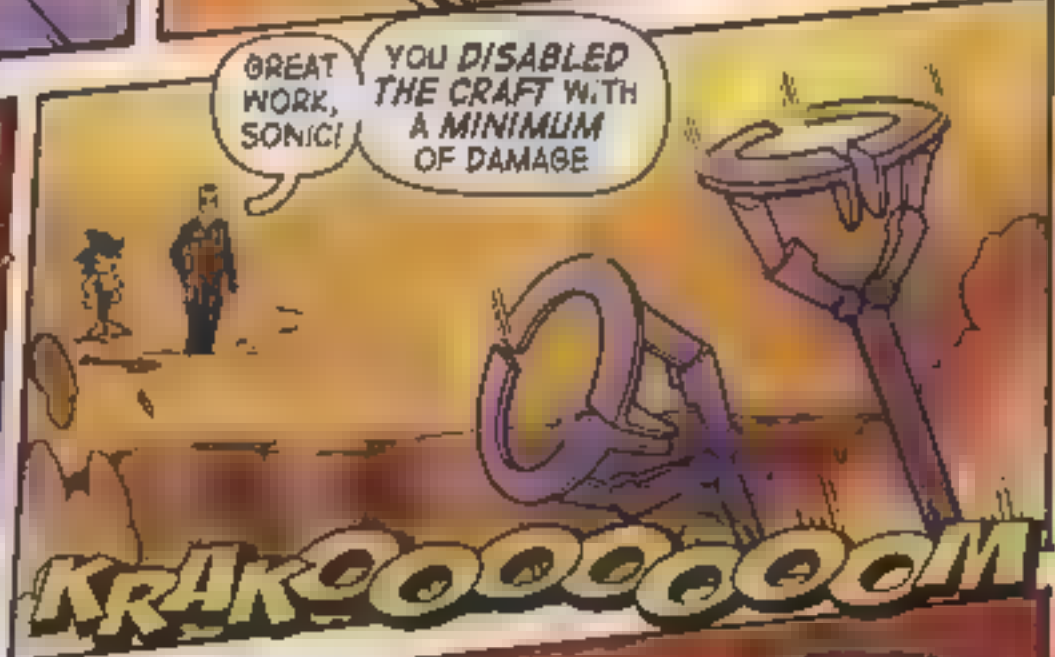
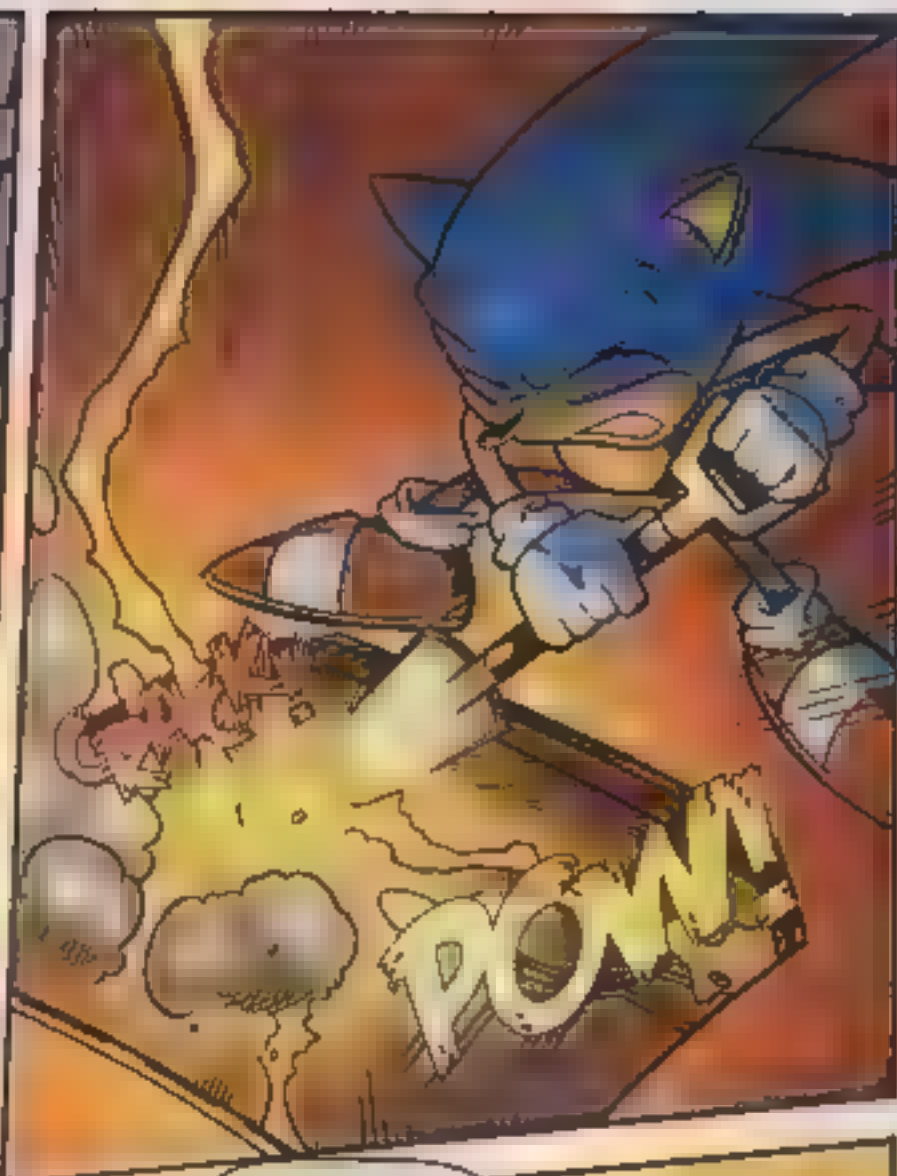
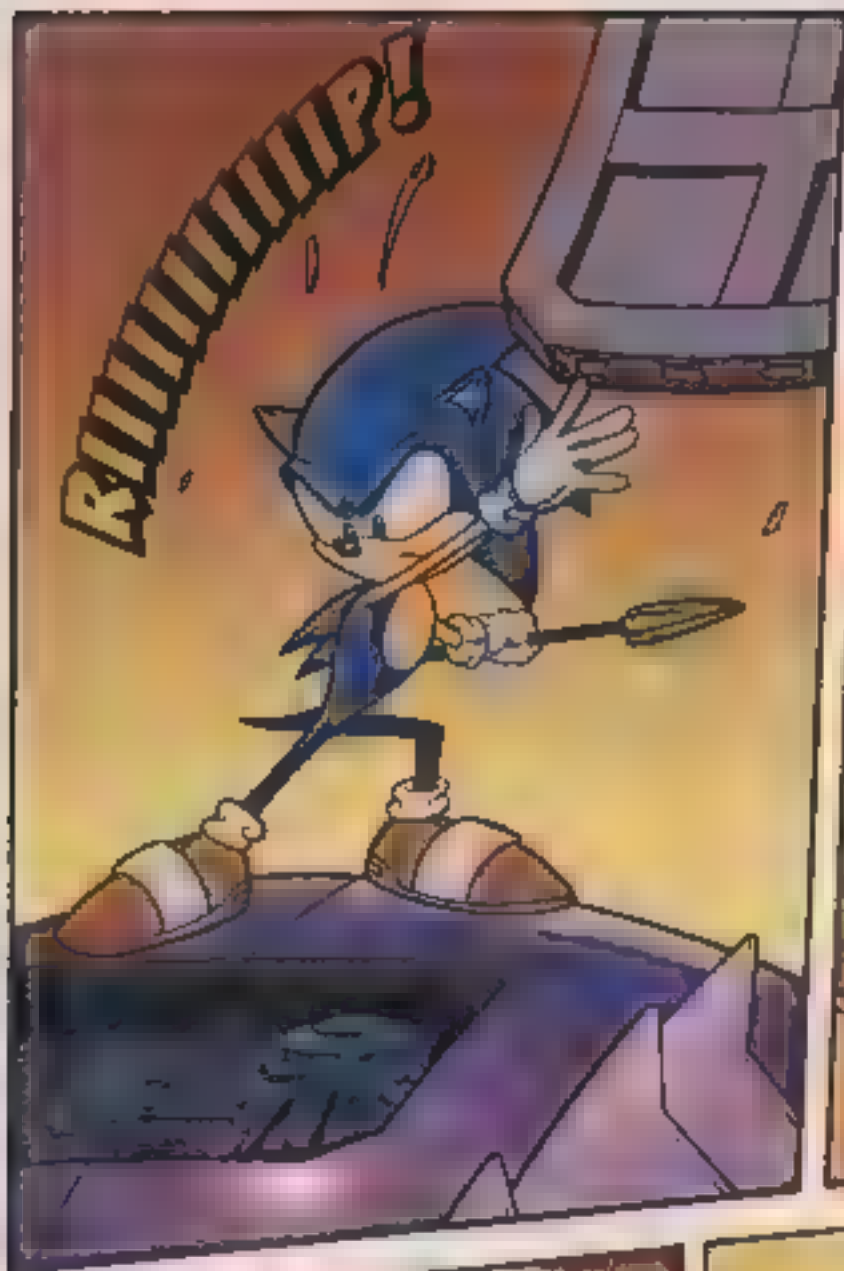
JUMP!













MEANWHILE, AT A
LANDING STRIP OUTSIDE
OF WASHINGTON, DC...

THANK YOU FOR
RETURNING SO
PROMPTLY,
AGENTS TOPAZ
AND ROUGE.

I HAD AN ASSIGNMENT
FOR YOUR CAPTAIN, BUT
HE CAN NOT BE FOUND,
AND THIS WON'T WAIT.



WE'VE RECEIVED
CREDIBLE INTELLIGENCE
THAT **DR. EGGMAN**
HAS BEEN SPOTTED
IN PARIS.

I NEED YOU
TWO TO LEAVE
IMMEDIATELY AND
FIND OUT WHAT
HE IS UP TO.



YES,
SIR!

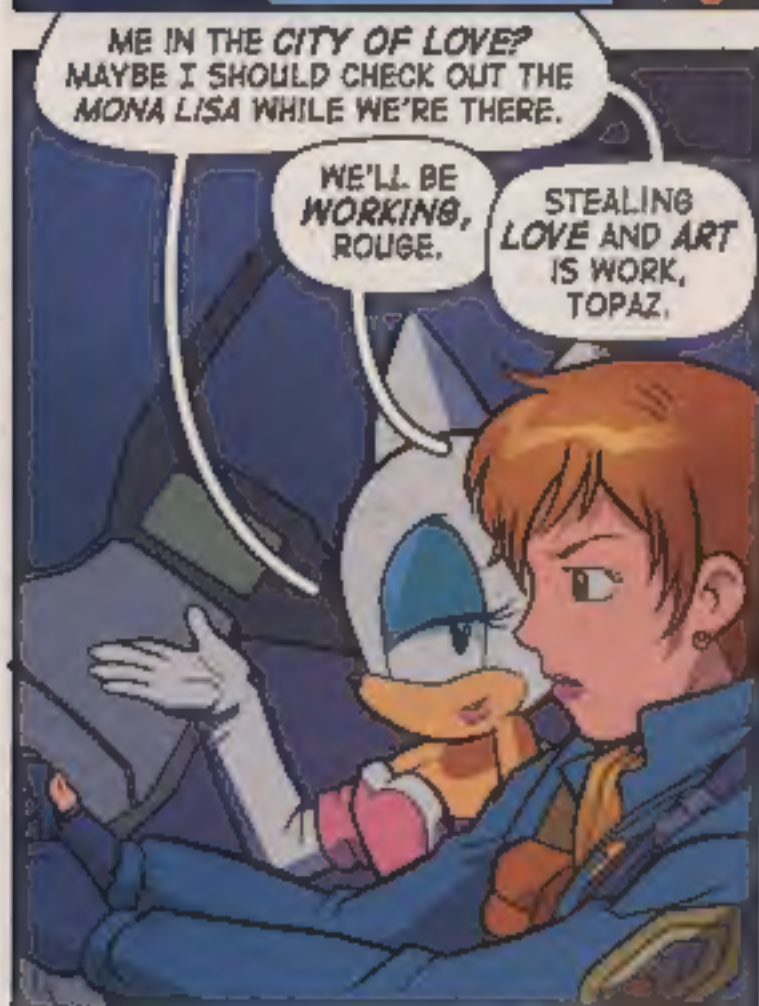
...
TOO MANY
PEOPLE HERE
...
CAN'T LEAVE
THE SHIP
...



ME IN THE CITY OF LOVE?
MAYBE I SHOULD CHECK OUT THE
MONA LISA WHILE WE'RE THERE.

WE'LL BE
WORKING,
ROUGE.

STEALING
LOVE AND ART
IS WORK,
TOPAZ.



...
PERHAPS
FOLLOWING
THESE TWO
WILL LEAD ME
TO THE ANSWER
OF WHO I AM
...



THAT EVENING, AT THE THORNDYKE MANSION...

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, CHRIS!

AM I ON TIME?

SONIC!
YOU MADE IT!

I WOULDN'T LET
YOU DOWN,
BUDDY!

CHRIS, WE HAVE
SOME SPECIAL
GUESTS VIA
SATELLITE.

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY,
SON!

WE'RE REALLY SORRY
WE COULDN'T BE
THERE TODAY, CHRIS...

...BUT WE HAVE A
SPECIAL PRESENT
FOR YOU. WE ARE
GOING TO FLY YOU
AND ALL YOUR
FRIENDS TO PARIS
FOR A SPECIAL
BIRTHDAY PARTY
AT THE WORLD'S
FAIR!

YAAAAAAY!

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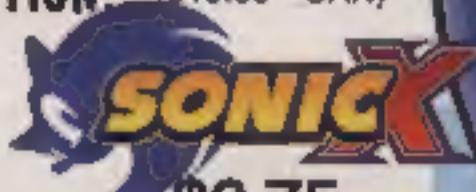
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